

# VILLAGE OF ISLAND LAKE

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Present: Ken, Dave, Liz, Greg, Paul, Fred, Jennifer (Absent – Terry Grinis) Guests: Sam Cicero, Joe Villarreal, Anthony Sciarrone

- 1. Meeting called to order at 6:30pm.
- 2. Committee welcomed Jennifer Villarreal as Secretary.
- 3. Motion made by Paul and seconded by Greg to approve September 3, 2015 meeting minutes.
- 4. OLD BUSINESS
  - a. Meeting Minutes: (Ken) Group discussed the format of the meeting minutes, in particular, length and amount of detail desired. It was agreed that the minutes would be the Secretary's summary of the meeting highlighting significant information. All members will continue to review, suggest edits and approve the final draft. Edits will channel through Ken.
  - b. Duckweed Treatments: (Ken) Duckweed is currently too thin for the WeeDoo to be effective. Public Works has begun using a topical "hot mix" to treat areas along the shoreline where the Duckweed is thicker. These applications have helped manage the problem and residents seem pleased with the results. Pictures of the WeeDoo in action will be emailed to Liz for use on the boat tours.
  - c. Fish Structures: (Ken) Boy Scouts have assembled the structures and the buckets have been set with concrete. Placement of the Structures is scheduled October 10<sup>th</sup> at 9am. Prior to then, Ken and Greg will take depths and test techniques for placing the buckets to ensure that the boy scouts receive proper instruction. Buckets will be tied with balloons to help track layout while setting the buckets. Ken will provide a placement map once the structures are set that will include GPS coordinates and depths.
  - d. Muck Eating Organisms: (Paul) Good progress has been made at the beach. The area from Eastway Street to Channel Park has been treated. Lifespan of the pellets is 18 months requiring that the entire supply is used and none will carry over to next year. Measuring success of the pellets in some areas has been difficult due to wind conditions on the lake. Muck reduction has been measured at an average of 4 6" at a resident's home in Forest Bay. 7-8 applications were used beginning June 1st. A second resident tested the pellets in a small area of their waterscape that had a 2" build-up of silt. A few pellets completely removed the build-up over 4-5 weeks. The product is giving the results advertised by the manufacturer and should be considered successful.
  - e. 2016 Boat Stickers: (Ken) Group discussed design sample presented by Ken. Proposed design (picture of a duck taken on the lake) includes borders of differing colors to distinguish residents and non-residents. Lettering and borders can be made larger and/or bolder for visibility with the exception of the sticker identification number. Sticker size will remain the same at 4" x 4". Concerns were voiced regarding visibility when using picture designs versus a solid color. The design received positive feedback in regards to village representation, public relations and overall appearance. Considering all suggestions and concerns, Ken will provide a modified sample, at scale, to members via email. Members must make a final decision by November 1<sup>st</sup> or sooner so that stickers are available to residents December 1<sup>st</sup>. Group had a side discussion of enforcing IL law to have boat registration numbers properly posted on all watercraft.
  - f. 2 Stroke Motor Letter: (Paul) Copies of the letter with proposed changes were distributed to all members. Purpose of the letter is to remind current residents and inform new residents that effective 2022, the use of 2 stroke motors on Island Lake will be illegal. Letters will be included with packets given out when boat stickers are purchased. Group discussed best way to present the letter to ensure that it is read by boat owners and not overlooked or discarded. In November, volunteers will assist village personnel by assembling booklets to include the boat stickers and the 2 Stroke Motor letter. Village personnel will be consulted to ensure this doesn't interfere with their normal administrative process.
  - g. PSP Mat Update: (Paul) Public Works has installed 28', 18' of which is in the water, of the total 50' of purchased materials. If Public Works is unable to install the additional 12' on land as desired, volunteers will be organized to accomplish this task. The remaining 10' will be kept for future use.



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#### 5. OTHER BUSINESS

- a. Fish Kill: (Ken) The dead fish have been identified as Crappie; 2-3" in size. According to DNR, this is bacteria related and specific to the Crappie. It is occurring in other lakes and isn't a concern unless other species are affected. This should be less of a problem as winter temperatures set in.
- b. Channel Park Seawall: (Ken) On September 27<sup>th</sup>, the Army Corps of Engineers issued a temporary Regional 7 permit. Additional information has to be submitted to receive the permanent permit. Selective tree removal is half completed and will be finished by Public Works or a volunteer so that work can begin.
- c. Booklets for Boat Owners: (Ken) Volunteers will be organized sometime in November to assemble the booklets given to boat owners when they buy their boat stickers. Any changes for the handbook must be submitted immediately. Advertisers will be called to renew their ads in the new handbook.
- d. Budget: (Paul) Members should submit expense costs for any items they would like to see included in the budget. A new boat for use by the Police Department, Fire Department and Lake Committee will be included. Revenue numbers are also needed. This will be completed over the next 2 months for submission to the Trustees.
- e. Boat Stickers: (Liz) Final count of 460 Resident and 12 Non-resident boat stickers sold. There are boats on the lake without stickers, meaning lost revenue for the village. The Police Department has been informed of this issue and other violations.
- f. Use of Tires on Eastway Pier: (Liz) Some members are concerned that the use of cut tire pieces on the Eastway Pier is hypocritical since homeowners are prohibited to use tires. Members agreed that although the village is exempt from the tire prohibition and numerous other regulations, the tire pieces should be replaced with commercial bumpers as soon as the budget allows.
- g. Dam Control: (Liz) Inquiries have been made about who controls the height of the dam. The dam is at a fixed height and any decisions regarding adjustment would be the responsibility of Public Works and EMA as this can affect other communities.
- h. Information Board at Eastway Park: (Liz) Information posted on the information board at Eastway Park needs to be updated more frequently. A key would need to be furnished to the individual willing to keep the board current and well-presented. Liz asked for access to the sign at Eastway Park.
- i. Boat Tour Signs: (Liz) More signs may be needed to advertise the boat tours. A permit would be needed to post campaign style signs around town and the expense would need to be included in the budget.
- j. Swans to control Geese: (Liz) Members agreed that swans aren't a practical solution for geese control.
- k. Volunteer Recognition: (Liz) Members agreed that certificates of appreciation signed by the mayor will be created for those who volunteered their boat and/or time for the boat tours and also for the boy scouts that participated in the assembly and placement of the fish structures.
- l. Unsightly/Damaged Piers: (Fred) Inspection of piers is scheduled sometime in October for the village to identify those in violation of village ordinance. Members discussed the advantages and disadvantages of removing damaged piers for residents at no charge.
- m. Status of Change in Tubing Ordinance: (Fred) Members agreed that additional verbiage to the handbook regarding tubing could open the village to liability. The committee will contact the attorney to check on the status of the publication of the new tubing ordinance.
- 6. NEW BUSINESS: None discussed.





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7. NEXT MEETING: November 5, 2015 at 6:30pm.

### 8. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

- a. Sam Cicero stated that if tubing is allowed on the lake, all IL laws associated would be applicable; he stated that the 2015 boat sticker design should be used in a different color for 2016
- b. Joe Villarreal stated that he liked the new boat sticker and would like to see different fish species used as the picture

### 9. ADJOURNMENT:

a. Motion by Greg with second by Liz to adjourn. Meeting ended at 7:40pm.

Minutes submitted by Jennifer Villarreal